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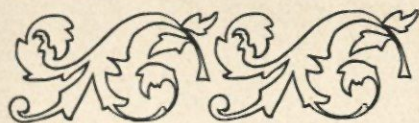
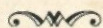


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Dr. E. Laurence Palmer

The new president of the Cortland Alumni Association, elected at the annual meeting last Alumni Day, June 15, 1946, is Dr. E. Laurence Palmer, Cortland '08, of the New York State College of Agriculture, Cornell University. Born in McGraw, N. Y., his home for most of his pre-college days was in Cortland.

Dr. Palmer is exceptionally well known throughout the state and the United States in his particular field of science education. In *American Men of Science*, he is listed as follows:

A.B. Cornell, 1911
A.M. Cornell, 1913
Fellowship, Cornell, 1916-17
Ph.D. Cornell, 1917
Assistant, Botany Dept., Cornell, 1910-13
Prof. Iowa State Teachers College, 1913-19
Asst. Prof. rural education, Cornell, 1919-23; Prof. 1923.
Extension Lecturer, California, 1926-27
Summer staff, California at Los Angeles, 1922-24
Iowa State College, 1923-24
Utah College, 1925-27
Hawaii, 1931
Washington, 1935
Editor *Cornell Rural School Leaflet*, 1919—

Director, nature education, *Nature Magazine*, 1925—

A.A.; N.E.A. (president, department science instruction, 1929)

Ecological Society; Nature Study Society (secretary 1925-28; president 1935-37)

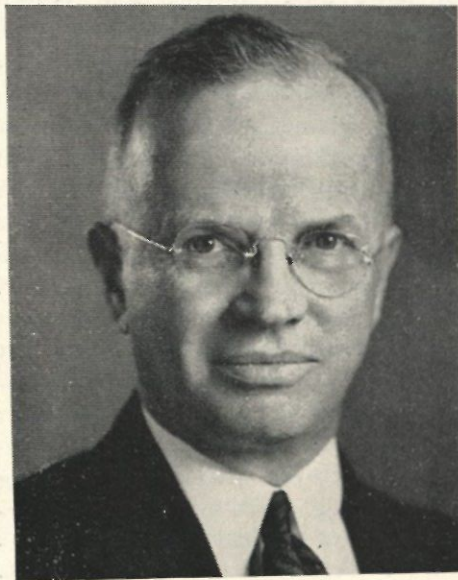
Soc. Mammal; Wildlife Soc.; Outdoor Writers Association; Council Supervisors Nature Study and Gardening (president 1927).

National Association Research Science Teaching.

One of the feature articles in the September-October issue of *Audubon*

Magazine is entitled "E. Laurence Palmer: He Teaches in Nature's Classroom", by the well-known writer, Edwin Way Teale. The full article is excellent reading, especially in view of the fact that its subject, Dr. Palmer, is a fellow alumnus of Cortland graduates. Excerpts are quoted here.

"One winter's day, (when Laurence was in the third grade in the public school in Cortland) a substitute teacher, Mrs. J. Mumford Keese (the former Lena V. Lovell '89) showed the children some of the first of the now-famous Cornell Nature Leaflets. Seven-year-old Laurence Palmer, who



later was to write these leaflets for more than a quarter of a century, was entranced. One of the booklets told how to collect insects. The following summer he was out early and late with a butterfly net. ---As he looks back, that winter's day in the Cortland school was one of the most important in his life.

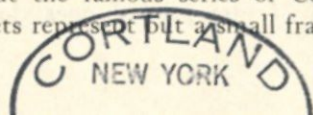
"His serious interest in nature study, which began at 7, branched out in many directions as he grew older. He was laying the foundations for an all-around knowledge of natural history. At the Cortland State Normal School, where he earned part of his expenses

working in the library, a seemingly unimportant occurrence turned him to the study of fish and fresh-water life. The librarian was a Latin teacher. Science interested him not at all. He decreed that all the Smithsonian Institution reports should be thrown away. Palmer inherited many of them and found among them the celebrated Jordan and Evermann book of North American fishes. He had been previously most interested in fish in the creel and in the frying pan. Now he began to study the problems and mysteries of their underwater world.

"At Cornell, Palmer specialized in botany during his undergraduate days. In his third year, he became an assistant in the Botany Department, and, in 1913, when he received his Master's Degree, he was employed to spend all summer collecting plants for the herbarium then being established for the Botany Department of the College of Agriculture. It was a little later, while he was working for his Doctor's Degree that he came to another important turning point in his life. He began attending the nature education classes conducted by Anna Botsford Comstock. He became a friend of this beloved teacher and when she retired she selected him as her successor.

"That was more than twenty-five years ago. In the quarter of a century that has followed, E. Laurence Palmer has left his impress upon nature education in this country in many ways. His Cornell Rural School Leaflets—he has written more than 100 of them now—form a kind of serial-story of nature for the rural school students in the state of New York. Appearing four times a year, they reach more than 100,000 people. Nothing has helped the teachers of the state to arouse interest in nature more than these leaflets and the ideas they contain.

"But the famous series of Cornell Leaflets represent but a small fraction



of the work that Palmer has been doing. For nearly twenty years, rain or shine, he has conducted a weekly program on which students from various schools appear in a kind of natural history Quiz Kids feature called 'This Week in Nature.' (WHCU, Ithaca, N. Y.) This program is now being transcribed and re-broadcast over other stations. As Director of Nature Education for *Nature Magazine*, Dr. Palmer prepares inserts that tens of thousands of teachers throughout the country find invaluable. He has been doing this since 1925.

"Several of his books have had wide distribution and, for a dozen years, he has been editing a series of nature volumes for a New York publishing house. In the furtherance of his beliefs about nature and nature study, he has been active in many societies. He has been the backbone of the Amercian Nature Study Society for many years; he has been president of the National Council of Nature Study Supervisors; he has been chairman of the Wildlife Committee of the National Research Council and he has been president of the Department of Science Instruction of the N.E.A.

"As is true of any great teacher, Dr. Palmer's influence has been multiplied by the students he has trained. Every year he answers between five and six thousand letters, most of them from former students and teachers. At Fernow Hall, Cornell University, more than 4,000 students have taken courses directly under him. His department at Cornell is probably the only place in America where it is possible to get a Ph.D. in Nature Study. The advanced student who leaves with that degree has been given a solid foundation; he has an all-around knowledge of nature.

"During his quarter of a century of leadership, Dr. Palmer has kept to one main course. This has been in accord with Louis Agassiz' famous dictum to study nature rather than books. His students examine living plants instead of just pressed ones; look at

living birds instead of pictures of birds merely. They get a grounding in text books and nature literature; but main emphasis is placed on direct contact with the world of nature. Actual nature material is used as often as possible in the classroom. And, frequently, the classroom itself is left behind and the students adjourn to the out-of-doors.

"Summer students sometimes ride up Cayuga Lake on Dr. Palmer's twenty-eight-foot motorboat, "Rip 11" to study the natural history of its waters. The boat derived its name from Mrs. Palmer's maiden name,—Van Winkle. She is a distinguished paleontologist. They have one son, Robin.

"A few years ago, after the death of an older son, Laurence Van Winkle Palmer, a wooded area of nine acres was purchased and set aside as a nature sanctuary in his honor. It is known as 'Punky Palmer's Park.' Oftentimes, before breakfast, Dr. Palmer is out for a hike along the wooded trails of this area. It is here that he plans many of his leaflets and projects that are such an important part of his teaching work. Sometimes, beside a little brook that winds among the trees, he stoops to cut off a bit of edible fungus which provides him with a morning appetizer before he returns to breakfast.

"Through his writing and teaching and training other teachers, E. Laurence Palmer has had a profound, cumulative effect upon natural-history education in this country. Few men in America have done as much for nature study, as it should be taught, as this professor whose text-book is always nature and whose classroom is the out-of-doors."

(See *The Cortland Alumni* for May, 1945, page 4.)

Theta Phi Sorority

Characteristically the Alpha Chapter of the Theta Phi Sorority is again out in front. This time, believe it or not, this well-known group on the cam-

pus has come up with a post-war building plan. After shopping around on the hill during the past year and reaching many "near buys", the Board of Directors came to the conclusion that under present economic conditions the wisest move would be to buy a lot on which to build later a modern sorority house.

Therefore, on November 12, 1946, the Theta Phi Corporation purchased a lot at the corner of Calvert and Prospect Terrace from the Clio Chapter of the Alpha Sigma Sorority. Immediate plans call for the building of a fire place by the active members for use in out-of-door activities. As soon as the resources are adequate to the need the actual building will get under way. In the meantime much planning must be done. All Theta Phi alumnae everywhere are asked to submit ideas which they would like to have incorporated in the plans for their new club house.

It is hoped that this new home may have ties closely related to the past. Much living at 36 Lincoln Avenue over the last twenty years has made the old home dear to the hearts of many. They will be glad to know that the beautiful stained glass window from the present club house, a gift of loyal alumnae, will become a center of interest in the new house. Furthermore, it is suggested that not only those who lived together as a family over the years, but all former Theta Phi members be urged to bring or send a field stone which will become her part in the firm foundation or in the friendly fireplace of the new home. For the present these will be received and stored at 36 Lincoln Avenue and the donors' names will be placed in the corner stone.

To insure adequate financial resources for this new venture, the Board of Directors recently voted to create a Building Fund into which is to be deposited free-will contributions to the fund, savings from current income, all money received as payment on current pledges, and all money signed over to the corporation from former pledges.



THETA PHI

To date this last item amounts to \$2220.00 with requests for only \$206.00 to be paid back. The following are excerpts from messages accompanying contributions to the Building Fund:

"I am glad we are going to have a new sorority house."

"The amount of my contributions to the House Fund is small but I hope it will be of some help to obtain a new home nearer the college. Perhaps later I can add a bit to my contribution."

"I am very much interested in knowing all about the new house. Where will it be?"

"I think it is a fine idea for the girls to buy a house on the hill."

"I was so pleased to hear of the prospects of a new home on the hill. When I was home at Easter time, the family and I drove to Cortland. We went past the house and up to the school. It was in my mind then, that we should really be nearer the school and the center of activities."

"The thoughts of a new home must be very exciting and I expect you people who are on the spot (so to speak) know the advisability of making a change better than any one. So I say—go ahead and am wishing all the Theta Phi girls the best of luck in this big venture."

"I think it is grand that Theta Phi is buying a new home. I wish I might see it."

"It is grand to know the girls are able to have a new home—but of course the very pleasant memories I have will be centered around the old one. I wish I were able to do more than just change my pledge to the House Fund."

"I am very happy to give this amount (50.00 pledge) to the House Fund."

"Use funds as you see fit. Am very pleased with idea, but will miss old house."

The sorority is indeed proud of and heartened by such a display of loyalty and interest in its new venture.

Here is another bit of news that Theta Phi alumnae will be happy to hear. During the past college year, the active chapter won the Wickwire Scholarship cup for the ninth time. And that is really making a record since it has been awarded altogether by the college just thirty-two times since first presented by Mrs. Wickwire in 1928.

However the past achievement record of Theta Phi is not being forgotten. Highest scholastic honors were won by Evelyn Clark in 1930; by Dorothy Badger in 1933; by Marion Bostwick in 1937; by Carolyn Stafford

in 1943; and by Lillian Stafford in 1945. In addition, the highest honor awarded any Cortland graduate, namely Principal's Appointment, went to three Theta Phi members. For this outstanding honor, Dr. DeGroat selected Veora E. Mead of the class of 1918; Paulina Dennis of the Class of 1927; and Mary Brennon of the Class of 1937.

Mrs. Cola Alling Maloney and her classmates of forty years ago, among whom were Sarah Hyde, Myra Horton and Vesta Padget Robinson, will be glad to know that the scholarship ideal of former members is still upheld. Mrs. Maloney writes that in the early group "scholarship was emphasized."

But that is not all. Theta Phi stood ready to serve when her country stood in need of her services. Although it is possible that the records are incomplete because of the difficulty of keeping up contacts during the war, it can be reported with pride that the following members of Theta Phi are known to have answered the call to the colors: Grace Stever and Faith Lewis, the Army; Doris Greene and Florence Erickson, the Navy; and Helen Bond, the Marine Corps.

For news as it is made by Theta Phi read *The Cortland Alumni*.

Alice A. Pierce.

Moving-Up Day-1946

(Inasmuch as space did not permit the report for Moving-Up Day, 1946, in the October issue, it is published here, for inclusion in the records, together with the names of the Class Marshalls,—the honor students of the class.)

Moving-Up Day for 1946 was Friday, May 17, and the day was given over to the traditional activities. Assembly in the morning was presided over by Elsa Jane Putman, president of the college governing board, who welcomed the classes and friends present for the event.

For student's services on *Hilltop Press* Dr. Newell Sawyer presented medals to Helen Isaf, Elsa Jane Putman, Myrtie Ives, Eleanor Witteman, Joyce Jennings, Janet Margolin, Gabriel Blockley, Jean Cross, Shirley Leffingwell, Nyla June Wallace, Lorraine Cook and Betty Van Waganen. Honorable mention was made to Carol Conway for contribution to news, to Aubrey Christie, Antoinette Michaud, Mary Pitkiewicz and Lola Vollmer for features, and to Mary Joy Bauer for sports.

Kappa Delta Pi awards presented by Shirley Leffingwell went to Nevart Boghosian, Carol Conway, Jean Cross, Lorena Douglas, Jean DeGraf, Ruth Hallas, Jack Landman, Marguerite Pedrone, Mary Prevost, Elsa Putman, Joan Robinson, Virginia Russell, Jane Stanley, Nancy Werder, Dorothy Wolfe, Shirley Young, Margaret Vallance, Anne Haller and Henrietta Turnbull.

Delta Psi Omega recognition was given to Patricia Broun, Aileen Roda, Frances Parks, Betty Fowler, Esther Palumbo, Helen Hunter, Barbara Overend, Jean Clark, Bertha Horth and Virginia Muller, by Roberta Gere.

Miss Harriet B. Rodgers presented the Women's Athletic awards as follows: *Chenille Chevrons*—Pearl Curtis, Elsa Putman and Virginia Russell; *Felt Chevrons*—Barbara Eldridge, Catherine Palmer, Evelyn Sauter and

Dorothy Wait; *Chenille "C"*—Ruth Elmore, Catherine Montgomery and Dorothy Wolfe, seniors and Helga Buss, Katherine Kann, Joyce Norton, Helen Palotta and Henrietta Turnbull, juniors.

Recognition for "Who's Who" was given Jean DeGraff, Ruth Hallas, Anne Haller, Mary Ellen Lane, Mary Jane Layton, Nancy Mangam, Elsa Jane Putman, Virginia Russell, Lila Jane Smith, Shirley Young and Dorothy Wolfe.

A song for the seniors written by Myrtie Ives, Charlotte Sheldon, Anne Haller and Beverly Fosmire, and led by Miss Ives, was sung by the seniors, after which Miss Putman recognized the class officers, and the new college governing board was installed. These new officers are:

President—Richman Young.
Vice-president—Eleanor Minion.
Secretary—Norma Wargo.
Treasurer—Hal Chase.

In spite of the rainy weather, the traditional "Rock Ceremony" was held and the senior ring was passed to the juniors by President Pearl Curtis, the junior rock to the sophomores by President Muriel Sloatman, and the sophomore key to the freshmen by President Shirley Wrathall.

A picnic lunch was held in the cafeteria, and a soccer game between the 1945 varsity and the "old-timers" was played in the afternoon, with the varsity winning, 3 to 2. A dance which had been scheduled for the court in front of the college, was held in the corridors and lobby, with Spiegler Willcox's orchestra furnishing the music.

Officers for the 1946-47 classes at C.S.T.C. are as follows:

Seniors:

President—Richard Corbin.
Vice-president—John Ball.
Secretary—Ann Bacon.
Treasurer—Arnold Rist.

Juniors:

President—Paul Fazio.
Vice-president—Dorothy Chauncey.
Secretary—Mary Turi.
Treasurer—Robert Long.

Sophomores:

President—Margaret O'Connor.
Vice-president—Arthur Thompson.
Secretary—Jeanne Tuttle.
Treasurer—Carol Conheady.

Freshmen

President—William Pfeifer.
Vice-president—George King.
Secretary—Nancy Monroe.
Treasurer—Doris Kaumlauf.

Marshalls of the Class of '46

The marshalls of the class of 1946 for both Moving-Up Day and for Commencement were the honor students of the class, as follows:

Shirley E. Young—*magna cum laude*
Nevart Boghosian—*cum laude*
Carol J. Conway—*cum laude*
Jean M. Cross—*cum laude*
Lorena R. Douglas—*cum laude*
Anne E. Haller—*cum laude*
Edith M. Lang—*cum laude*
Marguerite Pedrone—*cum laude*
Mary Florence Prevost—*cum laude*
Jane Rose Stanley—*cum laude*
Anne Werder—*cum laude*
Virginia Russell
Jean Louise DeGraff
Ruth Hallas
Jack Landman
Dorothy H. Wolfe
Elsa Jane Putman
Margaret Reid Vallance

Addresses Needed-- Class of 1896

Inez A. Becker
Grace E. Briggs
(Mrs. Maynard J. Kidd)
Daisy Davis
(Mrs. Earl D. Jacobs)
Sue S. Field
(Mrs. Sue S. Manee)
Bertha Hyman
Florence E. Neal
Caroline H. Smith
Leroy H. Trapp

Campus News

The enrollment of the new Health Education department for this year numbers 34. The first Health Education majors will begin their practice teaching in January, 1947. Tentative plans indicate that their teaching will be done in three main centers, namely, —Binghamton, Syracuse and Rochester. Three student teachers will be in one of these cities for the period of ten weeks. The first graduates to meet the requirements for a B.S. degree in Health Education will be graduated next June from Cortland State.

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Miss Mary Washington Ball has recently received the honor of being appointed a member of the "Folk Dance Project Committee" by National President Helen Manley of the AAHPER. Miss Elizabeth Burchenal is chairman of this committee, and it is composed of eight members, selected from the United States. The function of this committee is to select a list of basic folk dances, half American and half international, which are particularly adapted to general use throughout the country by adults in everyday community life in social recreation, and also are suitable and teachable and enjoyable for school age boys and girls. These basic dances would then be taught in every community in the United States in the next few years, in factories, on playgrounds, in church groups, Y groups, adult recreation centers, etc., so that people throughout the country, old and young, will have a common group of knowledges for recreation.

The report of this committee will be submitted at the AAHPER convention next April at Seattle, Washington.

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The Health Education Department of C.S.T.C. is now offering extension courses in Health Education; classes are being conducted on Tuesday evenings and on Saturday mornings. The courses are planned for those teachers in service who wish certification in

health education, refresher courses in health, credit toward completion of their degree, justification for salary increments, or credit for permanent certification. Fees are based on credit hours per semester.

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Miss Lillia Olcott, former member of the faculty, has recently been elected to membership in the National League of American Pen Women. She received this recognition for her work in painting and in poetry.

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Dr. Donovan Moffett, director of sports at Cortland State, has announced that the Teachers will have three other sports besides basketball this winter. Wrestling, swimming and a gym team are being planned in addition to both JV and frosh basketball. The college basketball team has at least 22 games on its 1946-47 schedule. Incidentally, four of the men on the team are six feet three inches or over!

Matches for the wrestling team have been scheduled with Colgate, Syracuse, Springfield, Champlain and Mohawk. Jim Davey of Valley Stream, L. I., a national high school champion, is on the squad.

Tony Tesori is coach of the JV squad, and games have been scheduled with Manlius, Cornell, Syracuse and Sampson JV teams.

Coach of the gym team is Raymond Weiss; exhibitions will be given this season in preparation for intercollegiate competition in 1947-48. Coach of the swimming team is Fred Halloway.

* * *

Not since the days before the turn of the century has Cortland had a real debate team, until now. Under the direction of Mr. Upton Palmer of the faculty, the State Teachers College Debate Team traveled to Oswego in November, to debate the proposition, "Resolved: That the United States should modify its present foreign policy toward the USSR", with a team from Oswego State. The Cortland team took the negative side.

Basketball Schedule

1946-47

A twenty-two game basketball schedule has been released by Dr. Donovan C. Moffett, Director of Athletics at Cortland State Teachers College. The season opened up at Cortland on December 4, with the Red Dragons playing host to Brockport State Teachers College. Eleven home games are carded, while eleven will be played on the road. Cortland ends up the campaign on the road with three contests, playing Mohawk at Utica February 27, Champlain at Plattsburg February 28, and St. Lawrence at Canton on March 1.

Nov. 26, Long Island University at Long Island.

Nov. 27, Wagner College at Grymes Hill.

Dec. 4, Brockport at Cortland.

Dec. 7, Lock Haven at Lock Haven.

Dec. 11, Champlain at Cortland.

Dec. 16, Springfield at Cortland.

Dec. 21, Ohio Wesleyan at Cortland.

Jan. 8, Mohawk at Cortland.

Jan. 11, Hartwick at Oneonta.

Jan. 15, Sampson at Cortland.

Jan. 29, Brockport at Brockport.

Feb. 1, Oswego at Cortland.

Feb. 5, Sampson at Sampson.

Feb. 8, Lock Haven at Cortland.

Feb. 12, Ithaca College—Here.

Feb. 15, Oswego at Oswego.

Feb. 20, Becker College at Cortland.

Feb. 22, Hartwick at Cortland.

Feb. 27, Mohawk at Utica.

Feb. 28, Champlain at Plattsburg.

March 1, St. Lawrence at Canton.

March 4, At Ithaca College.

Temporary Appointments To the Faculty

Mr. James E. Cochrane has been named to substitute for Edward E. Linehan who is at the University of Pennsylvania to complete work for his doctorate. Mr. Cochrane is a graduate of Williams College and has his M.A. degree from Albany State Teachers College, where he also taught. He has been interested in a number of activities including fencing, swimming, coaching dramatics, and advisor of publications. While in military service, he spent three years in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany.

Mrs. Georgina Childs has been given a temporary appointment as Nurse-Instructor. She is a graduate of the College of St. Rose and of the Memorial Hospital in Albany.

Prof. Lowry of the art department is attending Columbia University where he has been awarded a generous scholarship to continue his study while on sabbatical leave from Cortland State. His place on the staff will be taken over by Miss Jewell Conover, a graduate of the University of Missouri, where she attained the degree of B.S. in Education, and M.A. She has studied also at Washington University, and the University of New Hampshire, and has taught in the public schools of Missouri. She has written numerous articles for *School Art* and other professional periodicals and is recognized as a very fine artist as well as teacher.

Miss Irene Ton is the sabbatical appointee for Miss Linda Smith who is studying at Temple University under Dr. Emmett Betts. Miss Ton is a graduate of Fredonia, the Albany State Teachers College, and the University of Chicago, from which she received her M.A. degree in 1945.

Mr. William H. Ladieu is substituting for Miss Halligan who is completing work for her doctorate at Syracuse University. Mr. Ladieu is a graduate of State Teachers College at Keene, N. H., and received his M.A.

degree in Education at the New Hampshire University at Durham in 1940.

Miss Betty Coleman, a native of Oklahoma, has received a temporary appointment as instructor in recreation and physical education. She is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma where she taught, as well as at Sioux Falls College and Calhoun School for Girls. During the war she was a Recreation Director for the American Red Cross, serving overseas.

Mrs. Sally Walter Place, Cortland '41, is filling the sabbatical leave vacancy of Miss Jennie Sofejko, who is in the southwest studying Inter-American relations. Mrs. Place taught in Ithaca, N. Y., following her graduation, and has attended Cornell University. Her father, the late Myron Walter, was a member of the Science Department staff of Cortland Normal.

Miss Caroline Burrows has been appointed for one year during Miss Dorothy Shenk's sabbatical. She is a graduate of New York State Teachers College at Albany and received her M.A. degree from Syracuse University in 1946. In addition to her educational work, Miss Burrows has worked as news reporter and photographer for the Philadelphia Press.

Mr. Lloyd Clum, a graduate of Albany State with the class of 1941, has been appointed to the science department, and is teaching biology. He taught at Silver Creek, N. Y., for two years, and also at Tuxedo Park and Springville, N. Y.

Coming to Cortland State in October was Miss Dorothy Jacobson, a graduate of Oberlin College with the class of 1941. She has a permanent appointment to the faculty in the Physical Education department. After receiving her A.B. from Oberlin, she was granted her M.S. degree from Penn State in '43, and then did post graduate work at the University of Wisconsin. Before coming to Cortland, she was an instructor in Oberlin College for two years in the Physical Education department there.

The President's Letter

To the Alumni:

Christmas of 1945 found us in jubilant mood. The war was over! Our men and women were home from military service. We felt keenly our loss of those who did not return. Nevertheless, it was a Christmas of peace, and hope for good will to all mankind.

Another year has passed! Christmas is again with us. The war is already a part of history -- a horrible experience that ended a long time ago. But we have not found the peace that we had hoped for. Perhaps we expected it to come too soon. Industrial strife, economic instability, political wrangling, social problems of considerable importance, international maneuvering, — all of them have left us in a tense mood. Some have lost hope — some have lost faith.

HE whose birthday we sanctify this month *never lost faith* — faith in the potentialities of mankind to bring about a "oneness" of all races, creeds, and nations that is so succinctly stated in "good will toward men." HE also realized that man had many imperfections, that it takes time — much time — for man to attain the ideal that HE and we have set for ourselves. This takes *patience*.

We at Cortland extend Season's Greetings to you. We trust that you will have faith in the ultimate destination of our society and that you will have patience with the shortcomings of men. With *faith* and *patience*, life becomes very much worth living.

DONNAL V. SMITH
President

November 22, 1946



Members of Miss Carr's Social Studies group, as they prepared to leave at the bus terminal in Cortland on Thursday morning, November 14, for a week-end trip to New York City. Guests at the Hotel Edison, this group of seniors attended the Town Meeting broadcast on Thursday evening, sessions of the UN meetings and a trip to Lake Success on Friday, and sight-seeing during any spare moments.

Most delightful weather and a glorious time was reported by all twenty-five who went. Return trips were made by some on Saturday, and others came back on Sunday. Miss Carr and Dr. Olive Fish flew back on Sunday afternoon.

Corlonor-Agonian Reunion In New York City

On Saturday, October 26, a group of former Corlonor-Agonians of the Cortland Normal met for their annual reunion luncheon at the Herald Square Hotel in New York. Those present were:

Miss Perle M. Skeele '92.
Mrs. Mary Conway Shea '95.
Miss Helen M. Hayes '01.
Mrs. LaVilla Powers Buckley '02.
Miss Bessie L. Hinds '02.
Miss Inez C. King '04.
Miss Mary B. Mackey '07.
Miss Mary L. Pease '05.
Miss Alice L. Rice '10.

If there are other Corlonor-Agonians who would like to be affiliated with this group, they should address Miss Bess Hinds, 285 West Hazelwood Ave., Rahway, N. J.



FIRST MASQUERS PRODUCTION — NOV. 1946

"Berkeley Square"

As their offering for Homecoming Week-end, The Hilltop Masquers presented "Berkeley Square", and sincere congratulations were extended univer-

sally to the group for their outstanding production. The auditorium at Cortland State was filled with returning alumni, their friends, and the undergraduates, and the expressed appreciation of the work of the Masquers was

unlimited. Added to the excellent casting and the artistic stage setting, the fact that most of the period costumes for the play were made by the members themselves added no little to the enjoyment of the evening.

Armistice Day, 1946

As a memorial to those of Cortland State who gave their lives in World War II, fitting observance was made at a special Assembly on November 11, 1946. The stage of the auditorium was simply set with a flag-draped replica of a catafalque; surrounding this on three sides were veterans in uniform. Mr. George Candrea set the tone of the observance; Dr. Smith gave a brief and deeply sincere resume of the things men have fought and died for, our own boys among them; and Rev. Lawrence Horan of Cortland honored their memory in the final speech. A salute of three shots was fired by a Legion representative, Taps was blown by a bugler, and the deep hush of the entire afternoon was ended by the singing of The Star Spangled Banner, led by Miss Eleanor Hewitt '47.

Dr. Smith:—"From that memorial morning in December, following Pearl Harbor, the young men came,—from the factories, the fields, and from Cortland State. Not just a few; not just a man here and a man there, but all of them; young men;—until, the year following, there was not a single fellow left at State to graduate with his class. They went to camps; they went to Africa and to Sicily; to France and to Holland; to Guadalcanal and Okinawa; to the Coral Sea and the islands of the Pacific, and the Philippines.

"Some of them didn't come back; their lives are over. The things for which they fought, the things in which they believed, cannot be belittled. Al Nichols, Alex Zamry, Don West—you say their names a thousand times a day; though they are dead, their memories still live, and their ideals, for us to keep in mind; not by hate, or greed, or bigotry, or selfishness and all the things that make men mean. We have their ideals ever before us; the conquest for the good goes on. To you from failing hands the torch has been flung; if you break faith, they shall not sleep."

Rev. Lawrence Horan:—"We have come here today to honor the mem-

ories of our heroes who are dead. We speak their names with reverence; we recall the history of their deeds with reverence. They fought for their ideals and the plans which constitute our way of life. They died that other men might find life more worth living. They are passed out of the world, out of the uncertain injustices of men, to the eternal justices of God. We ask the Creator of this universe to be merciful and to instill in our heads and our hearts a more definite understanding of the things universal. It is our privilege that we take up the burden where they dropped it. We ask the Almighty to give us strength and courage to take up that burden, and carry it to a successful conclusion."

Our Honored Dead of World War II:

Carl Alexander
Wilhelm Case
Robert Frederico
Alfred Kleiber
Thomas McDermott
Leon Neamon
Alfred Nichols
Angelo Ross
Donald West
Clyde Woertendyke
Albert Wright
Alex Zamry

Former Faculty

Miss Emogene Tallcott, formerly third grade supervisor, is one of five teachers chosen to supervise the project known as the Dependents School Service, in the American Zone of Occupation in Germany. A graduate of Columbia University, where she received both her Bachelor's and Master's degrees, Miss Tallcott was chosen by the War Department after extensive search to find qualified personnel to staff the GI schools in Germany. 110 schools, four of which will be secondary schools, are planned for the 2,000 children already living in the American Zone of Occupation; textbooks have been shipped, and the

schools are expected to open in October. Miss Tallcott is well equipped for the work she will have of organizing these schools; her past experience includes the principalship of the Stratford Ave. School at Garden City, N.Y., the supervision of all-day Child Care Centers for the State Education Department, and the organization of schools near the Kaiser shipyards in Oregon, as well as her year here at C.S.T.C. in the Ella VanHoesen Training School.

Homecoming-1946

Registration for Homecoming was held at the Alumni Office all Saturday morning, November 2, 1946. Nearly one hundred names were registered in the Guest Book; many more alumni, who couldn't reach Cortland until later in the day, attended the victorious game with St. Lawrence on Saturday afternoon, and attended the big dance in the college gymnasium that evening. The gym was decorated for this gala event with arches studded with red and white flowers and a large "Welcome Alumni" against a dark blue background at the west end of the gym.

Crowning of the Beta Homecoming Queen, Miss Betty Rocker, was a main event of the evening. The very large group of alumni present gave the traditional grand march, and the largest group was from the class of '46.

A surprise event of the evening was the performance by Miss Mary Washington Ball of three numbers including a petite dance, a Spanish number, and as an enthusiastically-demanded encore, an original tango.

Following intermission and refreshments, dancing was resumed after Miss Edith Struglia had favored those present with several vocal selections.

All in all, this 1946 Homecoming, the first since many of the former students returned from services abroad, was a decided success and a very happy occasion. Smiling faces, joyous greetings and happy reunions seemed to be everywhere; it was a grand week-end.

Faculty Weddings

Married: On June 16, 1946, Miss Esther Porter and Horatio Burnham of Cortland. The ceremony took place on Baccalaureate Sunday, with Dr. Ralph C. Lankler, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiating. Mr. Burnham is executive director of the Youth Bureau in Cortland, and was formerly city commissioner of Public Welfare. Mrs. Burnham is a member of the Faculty of the Physical Education Department.

Married: On August 25, 1946, Miss Harriett Rodgers and Mr. G. H. Holsten of Cortland. The ceremony was performed in the First Baptist Church, Cortland, by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Vandenberg, and Miss Louise Jones played traditional wedding music on the organ. The bride wore a white silk street-length dress and white hat. Mr. and Mrs. Holsten are making their home in Cortland; she is a member of the Physical Education staff.

India As I Saw It

By GEORGE CANDREVA
(Continued)

The following is part two of the article written by Mr. Candreva '47, giving some of his first hand impressions gained from months of service in India. Comments are invited.—Ed.

IV.

It was not long until I had put seaport, railstations and truckride impressions behind me and was allowed by a most peculiar series of events to settle myself into the cosmopolitan life of New Delhi, India's capital, and to be carried along by a swift stream of unforeseen experiences that filled each day until my departure last February.

Certain names and places stand out, and because of obvious limitations, I shall attempt to recount only those I remember best.

My first recollections of active in-

terest in Indian affairs began early in the summer during the Wavell-Amery discussions which led to the first post-war attempt to solve the problems provoked by the rising tide of Indian nationalism. On Queens Way at the Coffee House where most of the bourgeoisie including minor officials, business people, government workers, students and newspaper people, not to mention a half dozen obscure artists, all congregated at various times of the day, the talk was concerned with politics. Opinions, guesses, conjecture of all types were rampant at each table, and I did not feel inclined to miss any of it.

Gandhi, Nehru, and dozens of others had just recently shaken off the odors of prison. Jai Prakash Narain, a nationalist rebel, still reposed in a dank dungeon for his anti-British sentiments. Aruna Asaf Ali, wife of a Congress Party "higher-up" and now a member of the new interim government cabinet, was still underground somewhere in "the Hole" named Calcutta.

It is sufficient to say, for purposes of illustrating the nature of one element of British colonial tactics, that this power to jail and hold without trial is an expedient the Raj has resorted to often, in order to lessen criticism and opposition, and to minimize in general the nationalist leadership of the country whenever that leadership appeared bothersome. But it is a rather widely held view that jail terms for political activity are marks of social distinction! And it is obviously a unifying source for Congress Party leaders to have been in different jails together!

Of course, the whole of British intentions has become clear regarding the imprisonment of political leaders since these are now the anchor men for a smart maneuver which will enable English interests to back out of India with at least a half-kettle full of economic and political gravy.

By August, I had been to Agra to see the Taj Mahal by moonlight. My letter of that event had this to say:

"As a monument it is a good piece of architecture. But to my western mind, I regard it as the height of abuse of labor. Thousands of workers were twenty years completing this, the world's most splendid mausoleum. Stones of white marble, jade, sandstone were brought great distances, with human beings being utilized as beasts of burden. I couldn't look at the Taj Mahal with anything but pity that life could have been so cheap as to pour it into a monument. As an architectural wonder, I have never seen anything to compare with it. The first view of the Taj is through a high archway and there it stands in white marble carved in graceful lines against the blue of the sky. As you descend into the main grounds, the beauty of the gardens, the long pools, the white hugeness of the Taj enfold you. That first impression throws you into the world of make-believe. Inside are the tombs of both the Moghul Emperor Shahjahan, who built the Taj, and Mumtaz Mahal in whose memory the Emperor dedicated it. A Moslem guide briefly gives you the history of the Taj, demonstrates the ten-second echo of the interior, blesses you in the best Moslem fashion, and then extends his hand for a fee. From the native worshippers, the process is plain extortion."

There was much more to the trip that lack of space prevents describing in detail:—the burning ghats where the Hindus cremated their dead along the banks of the Jumna River some distance above the Taj Mahal, the huge tortoises at the river's edge that feed on the bodies of the Hindu babies, and the huge Agra fort built and maintained by great generations of Mogul emperors in the 1400s.

V.

One evening, two of my tennis-club friends from excellent families took me to see Gandhi who was passing through Delhi station by rail. It was my first experience with political mobs. Unless one has been carried along by the zealous fanaticism of a political dem-



MR. CANDREVA IN INDIAN COSTUME

onstration of this kind, he has missed an important experience in learning whereby movements in history take on a new life and significance. The shouting of slogans, the violent rushing about of men carrying Congress Party colors, and the general hysteria that turned the railstation into pandemonium were unforgettable for the understanding it gave me of the more violent aspects of political action. Needless to say, the crowds were so dense that Gandhi, who barely casts a shadow anyway, was not to be seen. In fact, the crowds were so dense and jostled

one another with such vigor that unconsciously I reached for the subway handrail, and with that misinterpreted gesture, a hundred voices around me shouted "Jai Hind", and threw up their hands in the party salute! It's easy to joke about it now, but it was no laughing matter then.

The terrible Bengal famine that had claimed somewhere between two and three million lives was still a very recent debacle. In Calcutta, American soldiers had brought table scraps into the city and passed them out to eager hands. Death was everywhere. With the same complacency that marked Wavell's high evaluation of the Calcutta defenses when all that city had was a couple of anti-aircraft guns in the days of the pending Japanese invasion, the British stated that only 800,000 were dead. This falsehood was later revised upward under critical pressure from vocal fact-finders, and they admitted to around two million dead. While the British may argue that famine is common to India, the argument doesn't hold water when one considers that World War II has made England a debtor to India to the sum of some three or four billion dollars which represents a war-time drain on the resources of India. It was better that Indians should starve and die just so long as the troops and war waste were satisfied.**

It was against this backdrop of extremely serious internal conditions that I enlarged my area of investigation of Indian affairs. By late fall, the Wavell-Amery conference of the early summer had failed only to reinspire skepticism that the British had no intentions of setting into motion a sovereign India. By late fall, too, Jawaharlal Nehru was on his record-breaking speaking tour, his objective being to rouse the sentiments of the entire country with the indictments of the history of British rule and sweep the provincial elections for his party. By this time, the starved

**—see "India's Money" by S. Chandrasekhar in *Asia and the Americas*, November, 1944.

and naked dead of Assam, Orissa, and Bengal had been properly martyred by interested political elements. It was also the eve of I.N.A. These trials of Indian officers and soldiers who had been surrendered by the British commander to the Japanese after the surrender of Singapore, were scheduled to become the most volatile British blunder of the year.

VI.

When Subhas Chandra Bose, whom *Time* magazine referred to as the "Indian Quisling" organized the Indian prisoners of war in the Japanese detention camps in Malaya, the object of this move was to utilize their power as a striking force which might play a decisive part in the expulsion of Britain from India. The decision by the British government in India to try these men of the National Army as traitors did more in five months to crystallize public sentiment against the rule of the Raj than anything else I might name. The British had hoped to make this an object lesson in disciplinary action for those Indians still a part of their colonial forces.

But what might have been a quietly managed courts-martial, developed into a public spectacle. Three officers were singled out for first trial,—a Moslem named Shah Nawaz Khan, a Sikh named Dillon, and a Hindu, Prem Saghal. Tremendous publicity shot up over night, and the degree to which it stimulated nationalist feelings was considered from the British point of view to have been a costly error in judgment. In the first place, the trial did not aid in the bolstering up of British-Indian army morale. It agitated men of all ranks all the more. It did not discredit the I.N.A., but rather it glorified as patriots those men who fought the British. And the trial did not slip by the watchful eyes of the Congress Party. Instead, they pounced on it as a master opportunity to unify mass opinion. From every angle, the calling of this trial was the acme of the uncertain judgment that has characterized recent British policy in India.

It is curious to note that I never heard one Englishman say that these treason trials were called with the special purpose of unifying nationalist opinion! In concluding these remarks on the issue of the I.N.A., I might say that climaxing weeks of action-packed courtroom drama, General Sir Claude Auchinleck, C-in-C., under severe pressure of public opinion handed down his clemency decision which spared the lives of these men. Nationalists had gained another round.

VII.

On Thanksgiving Day, at an exclusive athletic club on the outskirts of New Delhi, the brilliant Indian lawyer and Punjabi nawab, Dewan Chaman Lall, his beautiful wife Helen, Francis Watson, British propaganda and research chief, and his rather scintillating wife, and I, met for dinner. The talk finally switched to the I.N.A. trials which, at that time, was a pending issue. But Chaman was certain even then, months before the issue was settled by Gen. Auchinleck, that this was a political move which would resolve itself with a clemency decision. What made him so sure? Perhaps he was confident that the propaganda-line which had already been laid out with his participation would be a smashing success.

As for the Watsons, theirs was the Britisher's view that a traitor was a traitor; considerations of patriotism nothing but a creation of nationalist politicians. The divergent views of my dinner party hosts, the Indian Lall's, and the British Watson's did not have their immediate repercussions. However, in mid-February, when I gave a dinner-party in Delhi at the lovely home of Indian friends, the repressed enmity which separated the new east from the old west became an open fact. On my list of guests to be invited was the likeable ex-captain Prem Saghal of the Indian Nationalist Army, with whom I had had a long talk in one of the ante-rooms of the Legislative Assembly some weeks before. Mrs. Watson stated flatly that "if he is invited,

—this traitor who would just as well kill me,—I won't be there!" Mrs. Chaman Lall said of the same man,—"If he comes, I shall have all I can do to keep from embarrassing him with praise!" Needless to say, Saghal was not asked.

VIII

On the 26th of November, I was invited to sit in on a discussion between newspaper men and two lawyers from Madras. It was at this meeting that I heard for the first time the phrase "Indian-Malayan Defense Council". Some weeks later, I had occasion to be reminded of it again. Two of Delhi's most gracious and friendly hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lall, invited me to dinner with them and Sir Sardar Pannekar, Prime Minister of Bikaner. I was to learn subsequently, that Sir Sardar had written a widely read book on the necessity for a defense arrangement for South-east Asia.

I mention those things because it made clearly significant to me the recent announcement that Pandit Nehru, newly appointed head of the interim government, has proposed a meeting of representatives from all of Southeast Asia for the purpose of considering the defense of that strategic area. I now realize that this has been a long-standing aim of what will undoubtedly be independent, Indian foreign-policy. Further, it makes more clear one of the remarks made by Nehru in our talk of last October when he said to me that Indian foreign policy will be directed toward those lines that will ensure the greatest security for his country. No one blames him for this. In view of America's history, we should be the last to condemn security tactics, what with our own isolationism and hemispherical Monroe Doctrine. And, of course, the subsequent speculation that Nehru might have been thinking of security in terms of association with Russia also takes on new meaning when we consider that the Panditji has invited a representative of the U.S.S.R. to sit on the discussion of the South East Asia defense. The disturbing question

now arises as to the nature of the pending coalescence of power-balance.

IX

The names of personalities and impressions of them stand out in my mind. I want to mention a few of them for the background they provide on the re-emergence of a new India.

Who forgets the striking charm of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, who is not only a dynamic leader of India but also a brilliant and popular man. So often we Americans have a conception of national figures as beings quite detached from and above the human strata. Such is not the case. Nehru displays no conceit, and I am sure has no illusions that he is anything but a very mortal man, with a mortal man's share of deficiencies. He likes more than the usual number of cigarettes, eats meats forbidden by Orthodox Hinduism, wears baggy white cotton breeches that gather at the ankles, always seems to need a haircut, dislikes hiring a boy to carry his bags, (preferring to do it himself), has a bright smile that reminds me of the late President Roosevelt, and in general is as affable and friendly as a country doctor.

Dr. RadhaKumud Mookerjee, Professor Emeritus of History at Lucknow University, is another whom I shall not forget. Scholarly, with a wry, pleasant wit, I am often reminded of the day he had me to lunch, and said, "When you come to eat with the devil, you must bring a big spoon!" His was the wisdom of the ages, and in spite of the fact that he professes belief in Hinduism, it was thru my talks with him that I realized the evolution of religious universalism.

No discussion of India would be complete without reference to Mohammed Ali Jinnah, the tall, monocled, aesthetic, shrewd leader of a decided majority of ninety million Moslems. We met at his lavish residence at number 10 Aurangzeb Road in New Delhi in late January. His young and likable secretary, Khurshid Hassan, who has become one of my regular correspondents, showed me

into the huge drawing-room where sat Mr. Jinnah. I had been previously informed that no less than a British Brigadier had left the Jinnah residence much abashed, after he had made the tactical error of bluntly asking the Moslem commander what in the name of something or other he meant by this business of Pakistan! To which Mr. Jinnah indignantly replied to the Brigadier, "Sir, do you mean to say that you have never read the newspapers?" As the story goes, that ended the brief interview which consisted of one brief question and one emphatic answer.

But Mr. Jinnah, I must say, was most gracious and tolerant of my questions, giving me more than full satisfaction in the course of the 20 or 30 minutes that we touched on several aspects of the Moslem-Hindu disparity, and his contemplated solution.

Of course the Pakistan issue is a book in itself. And so is Mr. Jinnah, for that matter. Both the Pakistan that he has made a part of the Mussalman mentality, and the man Jinnah himself are indissolubly enigmatic beyond my comprehension. I found too much that was both extremely true and extremely false in both of them. Perhaps when Hassan reads these remarks about his employer and hero, he may be quite disappointed that his many hours of argument seem to have gone for nothing. However, I shall remind him that there is plenty of room for consolation in the possibility that, being a non-Moslem, I might be wrong!

With greater admiration do I recall my brief meeting with Sir Servapoli Radha Krishna, the great Indian philosopher, who was in this country earlier in the year after a series of lectures at Oxford. It was at the Jaipur conference that the grand symphony of Radha Krishna's oratory overwhelmed us all. And there was the colorful little artist, Sailoz Mookerjee, a Bengali Hindu whose work I was able to bring safely to America. His was the spirit of the true artist. As for the spirit of the true elder statesman, I remember it best personified by two very grand

friends, Sir Pheroz Kharegat (British-appointed Indian administrator) and Sir Malcolm Darling of the British foreign office whose tolerance of my youth and impetuosity in affairs political was a really stabilizing influence on my thinking. As dinner companions and conversationalists, they had few peers.

For the sheer weight of intellectual power, I remember best my very close friend, Sham Lal, editor of the evening edition of the *Hindustan Times*; he took me into his household in the close spirit of companionship that made knowing him and his delightful family a real pleasure. And while on the subject of real friends, I don't want to neglect Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lal, whose Oxfordian "Cheeahs, old boy!" was a by-word. It was Sheila and Arthur who were known best as two people who had really discovered the secret of good living, yes, even in India!

It would be neglect if I failed to make mention of two Britishers, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Watson, who, in their own peculiarly spirited way, were the essence of all that most Englishmen are not. Recalling how they tore through a crowded dance floor at the Piccadilly doing the "shag", one would think that the day of the staid Englishman had passed. But if one era were passing, a new one was being born out of the dust of the old.

CONCLUSION

There is still much one could say about many things that are India. For example, one doesn't forget easily the contempt many Indians had for the British anthem "God Save the King," which is always played at the conclusion of a show. Nor can one forget the roar of resentment that welled up in a predominately Indian audience the night Frank Morgan was shown in "The White Cliffs of Dover" proposing a toast to the glorious England "that, thru trial and tribulation, was still master of a great empire"! The broader implications of such callous stupidity by Hollywood, in this instance, needs no further remarks.

However, if we are bitter that conditions rampant in India are allowed to exist in this day and age of stratoliners, jazz, chromium-studded night-clubs, the atom bomb, and similar accoutrements we falsely ascribe to civilization, we are expressing only a small part of what many of the younger Indian generations are feeling toward their own country. Theirs is a bitterness because so many blindly live in the wake of the very dead past.

The inertia that grips the younger people manifesting itself in philosophical cynicism is not a pleasant thing. Many want to see the country shake off the burden of centuries of orthodoxy, and set about making themselves a competent world power. They see themselves, many of them, as a once great civilization that has fallen by the way in history's passing parade.

The issues involved in such a state of affairs are complex and involved. The solutions are no less challenging since they are imbedded in the hard rock of human nature itself—greed, selfishness, ignorance and bigotry laying strata upon strata, obstructing the flow of progressive forces.

What we read and hear of India do not for the most part make things very much clearer. Diplomacy exists in the plane of polite espionage. Information offices are the outlet for the propaganda lines. Politics is the new religion and it is now necessary to master it with rote facility of the catechism. For example, a British source article devotes considerable space to description of the five things that made up the Cripps proposal of 1942. It tells us that "the proposals first admitted India's right to independence. She was also to become a free and equal dominion of the British Commonwealth." This is not the complete quotation, but it will serve to point out that these statements have all the appearance of respectability when actually the writer knew as well as I do that dominion status was not acceptable for even two minutes to any major party. And when he goes on to say that "the recent

discussions between Mr. Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah are pointless except on the assumption that the Cripps Declaration is genuine", the writer misses the point either intentionally or otherwise, because no one argues that the Cripps proposal was not genuine. We all know it was. Nehru himself says that he was amazed that Sir Stafford really believed that he, Nehru, would agree to such a proposal. Everyone knew that the proposal was genuine, but that did not excuse it for its failure to cancel out the dominion status provision. Those who gave India the "Quit India" resolution would certainly not accept dominion status in the same breath. And I go a step further and say that many an Englishman, Tory or Liberal, is counting sheep nights to forget the very crushing probability that India will remain outside the Commonwealth or it will not remain at all.

Deception is the essence of the new political science. Sir Frederick Puckle, of whom I made mention earlier, said: "Politics is a science; the science that teaches men how to live in a community." I hope he will forgive my saying so, but I believe he stretches legitimate phrases into a kind of verbal hocus-pocus. Politics is a rapacious, harem-scarem hodge-podge that defies the term science. The history of British maneuvers in India is certainly politics, but if, as Sir Frederick says, politics teaches men how to live in a community, then wishes are horses and beggars can ride.

Yes, India now stands on the threshold of "independence." But all that has been gained in the country is not because of imperialist benevolence. The gains made by the common people in the interests of their own liberation is almost never because of the generosity of their rulers, but rather in spite of it—at the cost of the years in jail of the Nehrus, at the cost of bloody communal struggles, at the cost of two centuries of imposed isolation, at the cost of the lives of millions who still live in squalor, in filth, so that in ages past the masters thousands of miles away

on the Isles could make pounds sterling out of the human sweat of others. It is easy to think of what India is because of Britain, and deal in academic generalizations about the ultimate results. But this sort of reasoning reflects little credit upon the moral character of the west and the white man. We forget that men live but once and then are long dead. How can the Christian mind accept a condition in which they justify their own right to live well at the expense of the misfortune of others? This is the crux of the moral problem we face today. It is part of the same moral enigma which saw the Russian communists slaughter millions, which saw the "rape of Nan-King" take place while American scrap made and fed the guns of Japan, which saw Chamberlain shrug away the crushing of Czechoslovakia by Hitler, and which saw the atomization of Hiroshima and Nagasaki by America without so much as a hint of warning. It is the same moral enigma of which India herself will become a part.

In Memoriam

1885

Miss EFFIE J. HALLOCK; on January 17, 1942, in Cortland, N. Y.

1890

JOHN W. STROWBRIDGE: in August, 1944.

1891

Mrs. Frank McKee (MARY B. ADAMS) of Des Moines, Iowa; on August 20, 1945, of leukemia.

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Miss MAUD L. OLMSTEAD of Brooklyn, N. Y., on October 8, 1946. Miss Olmsted was a Life Member of the Alumni Association.

1894

WILLIS E. CUMMINGS; in the spring of 1946, at his home at Port Washington, Long Island. During World War 1, Mr. Cummings spent ten weeks as a special guard when German and Austrian ships were seized. He was a Life Member of the Cortland Alumni Association.

1898

MARGARET WHEELER (Mrs. Frank RUSBY); on August 24, 1945.

1906

Mrs. N. A. Marion (JOSEPHINE SHEEHAN) of Bloomingdale, N. J.

1908

Miss MARY E. ROONEY of Binghamton, N. Y., at Clifton Springs Sanitarium, on September 25, 1946. Miss Rooney started her teaching in Binghamton in September, 1910, and, except for a leave of absence for the spring term of 1945 and for two weeks this fall, she had taught continuously in the primary grades there, at the Horace Mann School.

1911

Mrs. Harlowe B. Near (EDITH E. PETRIE); a resident of Canastota, N. Y.; on September 24, 1945.

1914

THORNTON W. HOWE of Phoenix, Arizona; on October 14, 1945. Formerly with Standard Oil, Mr. Howe had been a Sales Training Supervisor. He was a Life Member of the Alumni Association.

1915

FLORENCE M. STORY of Silverton, Ore.; on May 8, 1946.

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BLANCHE E. GORHAM (Mrs. Jerome C. Mapes) of Weedsport, N. Y.; on January 17, 1944. She is survived by her husband and two children, Ted and Molly.

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1897

FIFTIETH REUNION YEAR

1899

At its regular October meeting, the P.T.A. of Dryden, N.Y., honored Dr. DE MONT RYAN, who was resigning from the Dryden Board of Education after serving thirty-nine consecutive years. The testimonial meeting was attended by over 200 parents and friends of the popular doctor; there was special music by the P.T.A. orchestra, and remarks in appreciation of Dr. Ryan's years of faithful and interested membership on the Board were given by the guest speaker, Mrs. Carl A. Winchell of Cortland, a Life Member of the New York State Congress of Parents and Teachers. A social hour followed the meeting.

Later in the evening, Dr. Ryan was quietly married to Mrs. Edith Hutchinson of Dryden, and they left for an extended vacation in the South.

1901

From BENJAMIN B. CHAPPELL: "When I graduated from C.N.S. in 1901, I thought my embarrassing moments were ended, but such was not the case. I had been elected principal of the Freeville Union School and went to the building on a Saturday to look things over, preparatory to opening school on Monday. A dour old Scotchman was sweeping and cleaning. He greeted me as follows: 'I s'pose you're one of the country boys comin' to school here this fall. The principal ain't showed up yet.' I told him that I was the principal. His only reply was a derogatory grunt. I immediately started a moustache!

"In 1903 I married HELEN NOYES '01

in Syracuse. When we reached Freeville, a delegation met us at the station. I proudly announced, 'Well, boys, this is my wife, Miss Noyes!' Was my face red!

"The next year I resigned and took on the agency for Dodd-Mead's Encyclopedia. I had been persuaded that I could easily make a moderate fortune in a short time. The next six months were a nightmare of embarrassing moments. This venture ended in January, 1905, when I became principal of the Oakfield High School. No tales of easy money ever again tempted me to leave the 'happy and easy' life of a teacher.

"In November, 1907, I resigned and went to New York to teach the 6B grade in P.S. 15, Staten Island, under the superintendency of Dr. Darwin L. Bardwell, formerly my science teacher at C.N.S. During the next seven years, I attended classes evenings and Saturdays and secured my B.S. in Education from New York University. Also, by this time, I had acquired four children.

"In 1916, I became principal of P.S. 6, Staten Island, and in 1935 was transferred to the principalship of P.S. 5, Staten Island. Because of trouble with my eyes, I retired in 1942. I was given a life membership in the Staten Island Teachers' Association, and am still a member of the New York Schoolmasters' Club.

"During all these years, my wife, 'Miss Noyes', was a keen supporter and a high inspiration in all my work. We now live at 3 Seminary St., Union Springs, N. Y., where we are glad to welcome any and all of our past and present friends. A card in advance would insure our being home. Visits from our four children, our four in-laws, and our nine grandchildren are the high spots of our life here. Next best are the visits of our friends.

"When I retired, I wondered how I would spend my time. Now I know. Almost every minute of the day and night are occupied by the following 'jobs' that I have accepted:—treasurer

of the Presbyterian Church; treasurer of the Springport Civic Association; past and present High Priest, Royal Arch Masons; senior warden in the Blue Lodge, Masons; steward in King Hiram Council; patron in the Eastern Star; past adjutant and treasurer of the American Legion; member of the National Council and of the Cayuga County Council, Boy Scouts of America; chairman of the Western District and of the local Troop Committee, B.S.A.; member of the P.T.A.; Rod and Gun Club; Farm Bureau; and Home Bureau. I have learned how to fix up an old house, make a garden, repair furniture, cane chairs, can fruit, and bake bread.

"A sarcastic friend in New York wrote that he didn't see how Union Springs ever got along before I retired.

"Shades of Miss Hendrick!!! I see that I have used the pronoun 'I' twenty-eight times. (My latest embarrassing moment.)

"We answer letters."

P.S.—"Since writing this, I caught a 10-pound Northern Pike in Cayuga Lake, near Farley's Point."

1902

When sending in his subscription to *The Cortland Alumni*, CHARLES E. HUNTLEY of Schenectady sent along a clipping from *The Schenectady Gazette* under date of September 21, 1946, telling of the appointment of his son, Dr. Charles W. Huntley as dean of Union College, taking over those duties in February. Dr. Huntley is now dean of Adelbert College at Western Reserve University, Cleveland. He was graduated from Union College in 1934, and took his graduate work in psychology at Harvard, receiving his Ph.D. there in 1938. In September of that year he went to Western Reserve, where in 1941 he was appointed dean of Adelbert College, the men's Liberal Arts college of the University, at the age of 28, one of the youngest college deans in the country at that time.

Congratulations to both Mr. Huntley, our fellow alumnus, and to his distinguished son, Dr. Huntley.

1910

ANNE TAYLOR (Mrs. Carl W. Clark) and her husband have moved recently from Cortland to make their home in Syracuse; they are living at 126 Circle Road. Mr. Clark is the architect for the new Health and Physical Education building and the proposed new Library at Cortland State; he is a member of the A.I.A. and is well known throughout New York State, having been the architect for many of the newer school buildings.

1912

From NELLIE A. HUTCHINGS: "During most of these intervening years since my graduation, I have been in Syracuse and vicinity.*** A few years after leaving Cortland I became interested in commercial work, took special training in that line, and began teaching in Central City Business Institute, Syracuse. There I remained for twenty years, enjoying the privileges and responsibilities of instructing over 4000 students. I am still doing more or less supply work and tutoring. Perhaps my work for the past 22 years as Financial Secretary of the church to which I belong could be classed as my principal hobby. Certainly it has absorbed much of my time and attention." * * *

After her graduation, ALICE A. MARLAND taught two years in the grade schools of Saranac, N. Y. and Corning, N. Y. She then went to the position of Supervisor of Art Education in Corning. From there she went to Ossining, N. Y., as Elementary Schools' Art Supervisor, where she has been ever since. She has been granted the equivalent of a degree, and is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma. Her hobbies—shell jewelry, painting, and writing for magazines. RUTH SHOENS Searles lives in the same town; she has one daughter who has been a teacher. * * *

From NAOMA H. EDDY (Mrs. Allen B. Benham): "Graduating in 1912, I prophesied the 12-year future of some 100 graduates of the class. I don't know why I chose 12 years hence, but

probably it was due to the magic "12" of our class. It is a bit sad to reminisce about the partings and the loss of contacts with those associates.

"I taught at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, (the first and second grades) from September, 1912 until June, 1914. Resigning, I went to my home which, at that time, was in Canandaigua, N. Y. In December, 1914, I was asked by the Canandaigua Board of Education to fill a position vacated by a woman who had taught the parents and even the grandparents of some of her pupils. I thoroughly enjoyed the year and a half spent there.

"In September of 1916 I became a member of the Yonkers, N. Y., public school system, where I remained for five years. In June, 1921, I was married to Dr. Allen Baker Benham, a Syracuse Dental Surgeon. My marriage took place at the home of my parents, Rev. Dr. Charles M. Eddy and Mrs. Eddy, who had, in 1918, made Syracuse their choice as a permanent place of residence. My husband was the son of Rev. James Vincent Benham; our one child, a son, was named James Eddy Benham. Suddenly, in July of 1927, Dr. Benham passed away.

"I did substitute teaching in the Syracuse public schools for a short time. Just before the war, I became a Grey Lady, and did volunteer work for some time. Then, after taking a course at Syracuse University in inspection and use of gauges, and also learning to read blue prints and the micrometer, I was an inspector in a Syracuse war plant. I am now cashier in the cafeteria of Syracuse Memorial Hospital.

"My son was an aerial gunner in the Naval Air Corps where he saw service in the Pacific theater, winning the Distinguished Flying Cross and other ribbons. Returning from service, he went back to high school where he was graduated last June."

1915

A letter from MASON A. STRATTON telling about a change of address gives

the interesting information that he has been appointed County Superintendent of Schools for Atlantic County, New Jersey, with his new address at the Court House, Mays Landing, N. J.

1917

E. HAROLD MEDES has been named supervising principal of the Fairview, N. J., school system. He has succeeded to this new position after serving as principal of the Lincoln School and the Fairview Junior High School, both in Fairview, following two years in the Navy in World War I. He received his B.S. degree from Columbia University in 1923, and was graduated from the John Marshall College of Law with the degree of LL.B. in June, 1937. In 1923 he was president of the Cortland Normal School Alumni Association, and in addition to being a member of several national and state educational organizations, is a member of the board of governors of the New York Schoolmasters' Club.

1920

Class Secretary:

Louisa Bolster Smith
Broadfield Road
Manlius, N. Y.

1921

Class Secretary:

Camilla Kenfield
9 Prospect Terrace
Cortland, N. Y.

DOROTHY ERWAY Gleason wrote from Albany: "My husband and I have a business—we manufacture school jewelry, and for seven years I have been helping out, doing all the contact work within a radius of sixty miles, and all the office work. Most sincere greetings to all the class back for reunion; just before graduation we are more than busy and I just couldn't get away.***Aside from business, I have my home, and a garden about 150 feet square, so I keep busy." * * *

At reunion time in June, HELEN CARROLL (Mrs. Edward C. McCormick) wrote in from Syracuse to the class secretary, and we quote from her

letter. "Twenty-five years never seem long to look back upon, but such a long time to look forward to:--- From Cortland Normal I went to Binghamton for four years of teaching, then to Utica schools for two years, following which I came to Syracuse to teach. In 1932 I married; we have one son, eleven years old. As so many others have done, I went back to teaching several years ago, and teach now in Delaware Junior High School."

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LOIS GARDINER (Mrs. John W. Burke) wrote to the class secretary: "After graduation I taught in Gloversville, then two years in Cherry Valley after our marriage. Mr. Burke was located there with the Borden Co. Our daughter Joyce is a student at Cortland State; our older daughter Phyllis is a senior at Middlebury College, Vt. Last June she attended the National Convention of Women's Clubs in Chicago, inasmuch as she was state president of the Vermont Junior Women's Clubs. Lois herself has been active in club affairs; she served nine years in the Vermont D.A.R., and held offices in the Ethan Allen Chapter; she is now on the State Board of the Women's Clubs in Vermont. Besides her two daughters, there are two sons in the family, one in high school and one in the grades."

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KATHLEEN STRONG (Mrs. Francis C. Back) is living in Lowville, N. Y., and she writes that she never dreamed, years ago, how busy one could be. She has one son, 22 years of age, who has been in the service for four years, having served for 20 months with the Navy in Brazil; his small daughter is almost a year old. Kathleen's adopted daughter is now 13. To quote: "Many times I wish I knew where my classmates were. Best wishes to all the class of 1921."

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From Santa Cruz, Calif., came a letter from MABEL PHELPS Still: "How I wish I might be with you at the twenty-fifth anniversary of our graduation!



MABEL PHELPS STILL '21

"I taught only four years after graduation and then went into nurse's training at the Hospital of The Good Samaritan in Los Angeles. After this I took special University work in Public Health Nursing, and since 1932 I have done nothing else. My present position is Supervising Public Health Nurse in the Santa Cruz County Health Department. I love my work and have always felt that my teaching background has been of greatest value."

"Santa Cruz is a lovely place, 84 miles south of San Francisco on the Pacific Ocean. It is very scenic country, with mountains, wonderful fertile valleys, and huge redwood trees. Be sure to look me up if you come to California! My best regards to all."

1922

TWENTY-FIFTH REUNION YEAR
Addresses needed:

Mary R. Atkins; Martha Coomber (Mrs. Howard G. Wilson); Irene M. Hatch (Mrs. S. G. Kroneck); Ella Hebler (Mrs. Herbert Ensign); Josephine Hogan; Mable Emily Hurlbert (Mrs. Elvin B. Dwyer); Ruth Leona Letts (Mrs. Michael Heffernan); Norma Metcalfe.

1923

For the last sixteen years LAETUS K. WHITNEY taught in Homer, N. Y., and last fall started teaching in the Alexander Hamilton School at Binghamton, where she has kindergarten work.

FREDERICK COSGRIFF '34 is principal of the school. Laetus writes that, late in October, the Binghamton Teachers Association gave a lovely dinner party at the Arlington Hotel for new faculty members, at which time she was one of the guests.

1927

Following her graduation, CECILE LYNCH (Mrs. John B. De Vincentis) taught a one-room school at Vestal, N. Y., for a year, and then was bookkeeper for the Music Room at State College, Pennsylvania. From 1929 to 1932, she went back to teaching, and then did substitute work and "house-keeping" until 1934. From then until 1943 she was principal and seventh and eighth grade teacher of a four-room school in Upper Pottsgrove Township, Upper Pottsgrove, Pa. The next year she was cost accountant at Jacobs Aircraft Engine Plant, No. 2. Since then she has been with the federal government, being assistant property clerk and assistant cost accountant at the Valley Forge Veterans' Hospital, a Civil Service appointment. She writes:

"On February 26, 1927, I was married to John Baptiste De Vincentis of Wilkesbarre, Pa.; he was born in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and is a graduate of Penn State. He is now teaching Industrial Arts and Mechanical Drawing at North Coventry High School; this is a suburb of Pottstown, Pa."

"In 1942, we bought land and built a very modest but modern five-room brick Cape Cod home in the Mill Park section of Pottstown, Pa. Mill Park is famous because the hotel is there where George Washington slept. Honest!"

1928

Mrs. GERTRUDE HAAS Hamilton writes in: "After graduation, I taught first grade at Clark Mills, N. Y., until 1932. From 1936 to 1939, I taught Americanization at New York Mills and Utica. Since December of 1944, I have taught at the Roosevelt Nursery School in Utica. In September I was promoted to Director of the Child Care Center at Roosevelt."

"I have found nursery schools very interesting. In my opinion both during the war and now in peace time they have proven a great asset to the family and community. It is my hope that they will become a permanent part of our school system in the near future.

"As to my family,—I have two daughters, Joan and Anita, who attend St. Francis De Sales School; also a son, Delbert, who attends Roosevelt Nursery School.

"Many of my friends here are Cortland graduates—William Boyle '29, Supervisor of Physical Education; Fred Collins '29, coach at Utica Free Academy; and Eddie Herrmann '29."

1929

ABIGAIL CASE (Mrs. Frank M. Thornburn) now lives in Pine Ridge, South Dakota. She taught there for two years prior to her marriage; her husband is an Episcopal minister for the Indians there.

1931

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Billings (ELIZABETH R. CARR), a daughter and second child, Barbara, on November 4, 1946 at Cortland, N. Y. Their older daughter is Betty Ann, 10.

1935

Class Secretary:

Arlene Walter

15 Downer St.

Baldwinsville, N. Y.

MADELINE CASE was a recent visitor at the Alumni Office; she is with the Northern Bank of New York in Alexandria Bay, N. Y. In 1940, she took a trip to South Dakota and California, visiting her sister ABIGAIL '29 at Pine Ridge, S. D.

Another caller at the office in October was Joe Adessa, who is teaching at Sampson, in the athletic department. Joe has been granted an Assistant Professorship, and he is under A. I. Prettyman, formerly Director of Athletics at Hamilton College.

Since her graduation, DORIS E. McNALLY has been teaching in Bing-

hamton. She has the six year olds (1st grade), and finds it an interesting age, never lacking in surprises. Besides teaching, she has had some wonderful trips. During the "war vacations", she worked in a department store, and, while it was lots of fun, she definitely prefers the six year olds! She has taken extension work from New York University, and at Syracuse and Columbia, especially enjoying that at Columbia. She says that, as part of the curriculum where she now is, radio scripts are written and the youngsters are trained by the teachers for the programs. While it keeps her busy, it is most fascinating.

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From the *Ogdensburg Journal* of September 28, 1946: "Miss MARY LAWRENCE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Lawrence of Lisbon, was recently relieved from active duty as a Medical Department physical therapist, Army of the U. S., holding the rank of major.

"In December of 1943, Major Lawrence returned from the Hawaiian Islands where she had been on duty during the attack on Pearl Harbor, and she was assigned to the Office of the Surgeon General, Washington, D. C. In this assignment she acted as officer-in-charge of an intensified war emergency program for the training of physical therapy assistants. For this service, Major Lawrence recently received the Army Commendation Ribbon from the Surgeon General for 'exceptional service when compared with others of the similar grade or similar position . . . for outstanding contribution as officer-in-charge of physical therapy Branch Training Program. Office of the Surgeon General, from 27 December, 1943, to 8 February 1946.'

"From October, 1945 to June, 1946, Major Lawrence acted as assistant director of physical therapists. During the past few months she has served as technical advisor in the writing and production of a series of technical motion pictures demonstrating the use of

physical therapy in certain specialized types of injuries.

"Major Lawrence spent a few weeks with her parents prior to commencing graduate study in physical therapy at the Baruch Center of Physical Medicine, Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va."

1936

Class Secretaries:

Arlene Murch Birmingham

24 Chenango St.

Cazenovia, N. Y.

and

Lillian Fagan Alvord

5 Mill St.

Cazenovia, N. Y.

ELIZABETH TURKINGTON (Mrs. John McCormick) lives in Little Falls, N. Y., where her husband is principal of a school. The McCormicks have two children, a boy and a girl.

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Born: to Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan (MARIAN DECK) of New Hartford, N. Y., a daughter and first child; August 1, 1946.

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EVELYN SEYMOUR teaches fifth grade in the Central School at Tioga Center; DOROTHY KELLOGG teaches one of the third grades in Owego, and MABEL LENA GOODRICH has one of the fourth grades there.

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Born: to MARGARET BUHL JONES and Mr. Jones of Cortland, N. Y., a son and second child; on October 12, 1946. He has been named Gregory Thomas.

1937

TENTH REUNION YEAR

Addresses needed:

Mrs. Julia King Boice; Edward Carter; Mrs. Lucille B. Cleveland; Jessie Crounse (Mrs. Harry Rezzimini); Clarabelle A. Davis (Mrs. Kenneth Kintner); Margaret L. Dinneen; Dorothy James; Helyn Marie Jones (Mrs. R. C. Warner); Phylis Launt (Mrs. Robert Lee Coye); Victor E. Lesso; Louis D. McKie; Paul Miller; Mary Catherine Pendergast (Mrs. Philip Robb); Scyrintah Radney;

Mary Jane Riggsbee; Loretta Margaret Seeley (Mrs. Martin); Doris Smith; Jayne Van Deusen; Howard Paul Wiquist; Ellen Wood; Russell Zimmer.

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Born: to Mr. and Mrs. RALPH H. JOHNSON of 415 Avondale St., Champaign, Ill., on September 18, 1946, a son, Richard Alan Johnson.

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MARY BRENNON (Mrs. Don R. Callahan) is now living in Olean, where her husband has recently accepted a position as advertising manager of Dailey Mills, Inc., manufacturers of Double-Diamond stock and pet foods.

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Married: KATHLEEN G. McCAHAN and Lieutenant Robert James McMurray; on Saturday, August 24, 1946, in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Rochester, N. Y. They are making their home in Philadelphia, Pa.

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DOROTHY FOSTER has been appointed to the position of seventh grade critic teacher at Brockport State Teachers College, Brockport, N. Y. She has her Bachelor's degree from Cornell, and her Master's degree from Syracuse University. During the past two years, she has served as off-campus master teacher at Albion, for cadets assigned to Brockport.

1940

Class Secretaries:

P.E.—Grace R. Bryant

G.E.—Emma Todd

233 Park Ave.

Williston Park, Long Island.

GRACE R. BRYANT is Consultant in School Health Education for Nassau County, under the Tuberculosis and Public Health Association. Previously she did supervising of Elementary Physical Education in the Port Jervis public schools.

1941

Class Secretary:

Evelyn Bodin Kristiansen

449 Wolf's Lane

Pelham 65, N. Y.

After teaching Health and Physical Education at the Jordan High School, Jordan, N. Y., GREGORY BENSON was inducted into the Navy on April 4, 1945, and he was discharged on October 25 of the same year. He returned to Jordan to resume his teaching duties there until this past September when he accepted a position in the Minetto High School. Gregory and his wife, the former Madeline Manner of Rochester, now live in Minetto, N. Y., with their four year old son, Greg, Jr.

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MARY MCINTYRE taught Physical Education in the Clyde Central School, following her graduation, spending her Easter vacation of that year in Florida. She was married to Marine Lieutenant Leo Cahill on November 3, 1942, and they spent the next two months in Portsmouth, Va. When her husband was assigned to the U.S.S. *Arkansas*, Mary lived and worked in New York City, the home port of the ship, while it was convoying troops from the U.S. to Europe. When he went across for the invasion of Europe, she went home, to await the arrival of young Peter James, born December 8, 1944. They went to Camp LeJeune, N. C., the following March to join Lt. Cahill; he received his discharge in October, 1945. This past summer they were in Cortland during summer school sessions, and are now living in Rome, N. Y., where Mr. Cahill is teaching physical education.

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Following his stint in the Navy, CARLTON D. PETRIE taught at Hamburg, N. Y.; then for a while he was secretary of a Branch Y.M.C.A. in Miami, Florida. He is now an insurance salesman for The Mutual Life of New York, and is located in Buffalo.

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During the past summer, SHERMAN POHL served as Coordinator of Activities at Camp Pinnacle, Lyme, N. H. He is now at Copenhagen, N. Y., directing Physical Education at the Copenhagen Central School.

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In addition to teaching in the physical education department of two junior high schools in Syracuse, FRANCES MORAN is continuing her work toward her M.S. degree at Syracuse University, having already completed 17 hours toward this degree.

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BETTY SMITH (Mrs. MICHAEL STARK '40) taught physical education in the East Pembroke Central School, following her graduation, and then she and Mike were married during that Christmas vacation; he went into the Army, and she back to her job. The next year she joined him in Georgia; later he was transferred to Kansas and she went back to East Pembroke where she taught for one term before going to Kansas. Next, they were moved to Michigan, and lived a year and a half in Kalamazoo, where their daughter, Linda Jean was born. While there she taught a Business and Professional Girls' class at the Y. W. C. A. and handled several swimming classes. After three months in Alabama, Betty, little Linda and Betty's mother drove across the continent to where Mike was stationed in Washington, locating in a "cute bungalow on Paget Sound." Mike's discharge came through in December, 1945; he then took graduate work at Syracuse University. He now has a principalship in Lehman, Penn., where they are living.

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MARGUERITE HAVILAND SNYDER and JAMES SNYDER are living in Orchard Park, N. Y., where he is teaching; they have one daughter, Sandra Lee, a year old.

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DORIS WILKIE (Mrs. Ralph Nicot) taught physical education at Oakfield, N. Y., after graduation, until February of 1942, when she fractured two vertebrae in the gym, and consequently spent the months of March and April in the hospital, and the remainder of the school year recuperating. In August, 1942, she was married; they lived in Brooklyn where her husband was employed in the Navy Yard, and

she spent spare moments doing Red Cross Volunteer work. Their older child, Douglas, was born in November, 1943, in Brooklyn. The next year she moved back to Auburn, N. Y., with her parents; here their second child, Carol, was born in December, and in February her husband left to work for an oil company on Bahrein Island in the Persian Gulf. He returned in November, 1945, and they moved to Wellsville, N. Y., where Ralph and his father have a wood novelty factory.

1942

FIFTH REUNION YEAR

Addresses needed:

Christine Davis; Roberta Houghton; William H. Kitney; Dorothy Jane Keough (Mrs. Rollin Coville); Alphonse Lawrence Liquori; Richard B. S. McGee; Shirley Snyder Palmer; Beatrice M. Pettit; Frances Tappan.

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MARTHA MATTISON of Windsor, N. Y., and LUCILLE McLEAN of Long Beach, L. I., were registered in the Alumni Office for Homecoming Week-end.

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Married: on June 15, 1946, JEAN MERWIN of Croton, N. Y. and Kenneth Burgess of Washington, D. C. The ceremony took place on Saturday noon at the Church of the Ascension, New York City, where the bride had been soprano soloist. The altar and chancel were decorated with Easter lilies, gladioli and ferns. Rev. Keith Chidester officiated.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of velray, with a square neck and off-shoulder ruffle, long sleeves, and a bouffant skirt with train. Her fingertip veil fell from a beaded Juliet cap, and she carried an old-fashioned bouquet of tuberose, stock and carnations.

The maid of honor was Miss Sue Hoover of Ossining, who wore a blue net gown trimmed with pink ribbon, and carried an old-fashioned bouquet of bachelor buttons and pink carnations. Bridesmaids were Mrs. C. M. Hunting of Babylon, L. I.; Miss Edith

Bickford of Croton; Miss Jane Norton of Schenectady and Miss ELIZABETH Post '42 of Nyack. They wore gowns of pink and blue net, and carried old-fashioned bouquets shaded in pink and blue.

The couple was honored at a reception at the Fifth Avenue Hotel following the ceremony.

After her graduation, the bride taught at Scarborough School, and has been on the staff of Briarcliff Junior College. The bridegroom is a graduate of the University of the State of Louisiana; in 1941 he enlisted in the U.S. N.R. as a pilot, and served in the Caribbean and in Africa. He was released from active duty as a Lt. Commander in December, 1945. He is now studying law at Denver University.

Jean writes that they flew to Washington, D. C., for several days, and then drove to Gunnison, Colorado, for their honeymoon. They both took courses at Western State Teachers College, and then travelled to New Mexico, to Carlsbad Caverns, and to Denver, crossing the Continental Divide eight times. They both have joined the choir of the Cathedral of St. John, so music continues to be one of the real interests in their lives.

1943

GENEVIEVE CLOSS is now teaching Physical Education in Lyons Central School at Lyons, N. Y. The school is much larger than the one at Naples, N. Y., where she had been previously. She is teaching both boys and girls in the first three grades, and just the girls from grades 4-12; she also is in charge of the cheerleaders.

1944

Class Secretary:

Dorothy Learn Ochsner
41 Prospect Terr.
Cortland, N. Y.

Married: BETTY L. LINDSEY and MERRILL H. ARCHARD '46, in the Grace Baptist Church in Binghamton, N. Y., on June 22, 1946 at 4 p. m. The Rev. Charles C. Shoemaker officiated at the nuptial service, and wedding music

was by Miss Helen Klatner, organist, and Miss Jean Mansfield, vocalist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was gowned in white nylon with a sweetheart neckline, long pointed sleeves, and a train. Her fingertip veil was arranged with a headpiece of orange blossoms, and she wore pearls, a gift of the bridegroom. Miss AUDREY FLAXINGTON '46 was maid of honor; she wore a blue net gown, and long white gloves. William Archard was best man for his brother, and ushers were DeWitt Hawley and H. Marshall Button.

Betty is continuing her teaching in Yonkers, while Merrill is attending Columbia University and also doing some substituting in the Yonkers system.

1945

Class Secretary:

Dorothy Jorgensen
East Greenbush, N. Y.

1946

Class Secretaries:

G.E.—Marguerite Pedrone
11 John St.,
Binghamton, N. Y.

P.E.—Elsa Jane Putman
West Winfield Central
School
West Winfield, N. Y.

Married: on June 22, 1946, BETTY SIMONDS and George Falk. They are living in Marcellus, N. Y., where Betty is teaching, and her husband is attending Syracuse University.

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In addition to her work in the five grade schools at Port Jervis, N. Y., where she is a teaching supervisor, RUTH HALLAS has joined the Drew Dramatic Club there, and finds it very enjoyable and interesting.

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JOAN ROBINSON is teaching the girls at Rye High School, Rye, N. Y., as well as the first and second grades, and is spending her spare moments as a member of the Rye Choral Group.

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MARY PREVOST is now teaching in Syracuse, N. Y., at the Bellevue School.

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